



Refurbishment and repairs

Lincoln's Inn, London — Phase II

Highlights

Building on our excellent relationship with The Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn (The Estates Department of Lincoln's Inn had previously awarded Axis the external repairs and redecorations contract for its collection of listed properties) we were further commissioned to work on a new project which included internal and external refurbishment, high level access installation and roofing works.

The Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn is one of the four Inns of Court in London to which barristers of England and Wales belong and where they are called to the Bar. Its architecture makes it popular with film and television companies who regularly use the site to film period dramas. Indeed, whilst undertaking the contract, Axis' project management team not only had to accommodate the important legal proceedings that take place on site daily, which also meant quiet working during the hours before tenants went to court, but the site also had to be cleared for the filming of ITV's historical drama *Downton Abbey*.

Specifications

- Listed buildings
- Specialist stonemasonry work
- Painting
- Gold leaf
- Internal and external refurbishment
- Roofing replacement
- Façade work
- Metalwork
- Leadwork

£1.2m value

24 weeks duration



The 16-acre estate consists of buildings ranging from Grade II to Grade I listed hence our sensitive approach to our work, which was carried out by specialist teams with advice from English Heritage.

The scope of works involved stone masonry, repointing and rebuilding façades in accordance with the English Heritage requirements, while producing a safe solution to meet with the specification of repairs.

Additional work involved Yorkstone and block paving, steel works to railings and ornaments, as well as gold leafing works to the historic signage. We were also tasked with replacing the roof, providing structural timber repairs and moulding lead down pipes.

Axis managed the project from the outset with input from the client, English Heritage, the tenants, consultants and structural engineers to maintain consistency and complete the project on time with minimal disruption and to the satisfaction of all parties.

The majority of the work was phased to plan completion of the most disruptive aspects during the six-week summer holidays, when the Inn closed. We were successful in completing the entire project on time, within budget with full approval of the clients and tenants.

Client testimonial:

“They were very good with the tenants and residents and completed work on time and on budget. The quality was very good and I would - and subsequently have - employed them on further projects.”

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